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## NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION

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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application

For (Title): STAGE APPARATUS, VIBRATION CONTROL METHOD AND EXPOSURE  
APPARATUS

By (Inventors): Masato TAKAHASHI

- ☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-13B; 10 sheets) are attached.  
☐ Use Figure \_\_\_\_\_ for front page of Publication.  
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.  
☒ This patent application is assigned to NIKON CORPORATION.  
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☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.  
☐ Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.  
☐ A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.  
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☒ Priority of foreign applications No. 2000-393837 filed December 25, 2000 in Japan and No. 2000-393838 filed December 25, 2000 in Japan are claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).  
☒ Certified copies of the above corresponding foreign applications are filed herewith.  
☐ This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 112(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.  
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